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FM AMEMBASSY ADDIS ABABA

TO AMEMBASSY COLOMBO

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PORG PFOR ET

SUBJ: NON-ALIGNED CONFERENCE : ETHIOPIA

REF: COLOMBO 2865

1. EMBASSY MOST INTRIGUED BY SINE-CHEORGHIS STATEMENT REPORTED FINAL SENTENCE REFTEL. FULLY RECOGNIZE THAT YOU HAVE OTHER THINGS TO DO, BUT IT WOULD BE MOST HELPFUL IF NEXT TIME EMBOFF HAD OCCASION TALK WITH HER, HE COULD GENTLY PROBE FURTHER WHAT SHE HAD IN MIND.

2. FYI. KONJIT SINE-GHEORGHIS, WHO MEMBER OF SMALL ETHIOPIAN DELEGATION HEADED BY FONMIN KIFLE WODAJO, WOULD BE WELL-PLACED AT LEAST FOR DURATION OF CONFERENCE TO KNOW IF SOMETHING WAS UP, PROVIDED KIFLE KNEW IT; HENCE WE INCLINED GIVE HER STATEMENT SOME CREDENCE. UNFORTUNATELY, WE HAVE NO INKLING HERE WHAT THE SUBJECT OF ANY SUCH STATEMENT MIGHT BE. EVEN LOCAL RUMOR MILL IS QUIET AT PRESENT. ANNOUNCEMENTS OF ANY KIND FROM ADDIS ARE RARE ENOUGH. ONE THAT WOULD BE "WELCOME" IN WASHINGTON" WOULD BE EVEN RARER. END FYI.

3. MININFO PERM SEC (ACTING MINISTER) TEFAYE TADDESSE LEFT ADDIS AUG 11 TO JOIN ETHIOPIAN DELEGATION AT
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COLOMBO. HE IS KNOWN TO US AS DOCTRINAIRE MARXIST AND

NOT WELL DISPOSED TOWARDS U.S.
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